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- On 5 March 1951, Herr Filbrich, chief of the rectifier plant, and Dr. Schiele, both of whom were with the Apparatefabrik Treptow, left unexpectedly for the West, causing a major breakdown in the whole rectifier program. The Apparatefabrik Treptow immediately recalled all its personnel from the Leipzig Fair.
 - The importance of this event is indicated by the announcement at the Transformatorenwerk Oberschöneweide (TRO) on 7 April that the so-called Bitterfeld program, i.e. the erection of an aluminum factory at Bitterfeld, which had until then been a first priority project was now only second priority and might be put aside altogether.
 - Herr Eichacker gave notice for 1 April and left legally on that date. The new chief of the rectifier plant is Herr Seuer.

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